

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants hereby respectfully petition to revive Application No. 10/039,837 with the filing date of October 18, 2001.

Applicants have amended claims 269, 278, 287 and 297. Applicants have cancelled claims 270, 271, 279, 280, 289, 290, 295, 298 and 299.

Applicants believe that the amended independent claims and dependent claims are not anticipated under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) by U.S. 6,400,989 (Eckmiller).

Applicants further believe that the amended independent and the dependent claims are not obvious over U.S. 6,400,989 (Eckmiller) in view of U.S. 4,628,933 (Michelson).

It is respectfully submitted that the Petition to Revive the patent application be granted. Any further possible issues will be taken care of by the applicants promptly on a short notice.

Respectfully submitted,

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